Judge Karen Lawson

Lake County Juvenile Court

Educational Services

In 1975 the Lake County Juvenile Court established Educational Services. Its purpose is to serve probationers who have been suspended or expelled from school and have inadequate home supervision. Juveniles are assigned to the school by disposition from the Court, Probation Review Board or probation officer referral.

The aim of the Educational Services Department is to give students a positive alternative to the traditional learning environments. Students' lengths of stay vary from one day up to ninety days. Every attempt is made to present material based on individual learning levels. Students are permitted to work independently if school assignments are furnished by their own schools. Subject areas covered in the program are, but not limited to: Math, Reading, Current Events, health issues, living skills and crafts. All programs are co-educational and ages range from twelve to seventeen.

Students are transported to the program only if there is no alternative transportation. The program has the use of a Youth Services Grant purchased van.